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✓ 16 May 1952

Major D. R. Sharpe  
Secretary, National Defence College  
Fort Frontenac  
Kingston, Ontario

Dear Major Sharpe:

With reference to our exchange of correspondence concerning General Walter B. Smith lecturing at the National Defence College on 23 June 1952, he now finds that it has become necessary to decline this invitation. Regrettably, a series of meetings, which he is committed to attend, has been rescheduled to take place during the latter part of June.

General Smith deeply regrets that this change in his plans makes it impossible for him to be with the faculty and students of the National Defence College on the above-mentioned date.

Sincerely,

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Executive Assistant  
to the Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL SMITH

You will recall that you indicated you would accept the invitation extended by the Canadian National Defence College to speak there on Monday, 23 June, provided the hour of the talk could be at such time as to allow you to depart Washington the morning of the 23rd. Flight time between here and Kingston, Ontario, is about two and one half hours and there is a twenty minute ride from the field to the College. They have advised they will schedule this talk to suit your convenience. Suggest the following schedule:

Take off Washington	9:00 a.m.
Arrive at the College	12:00 noon
Lecture	1:30 p.m.
Take off for return	3:30 p.m.
Arrive Washington	6:00 p.m.

*Tell them "sorry"*

*ME*  
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NATIONAL DEFENCE COLLEGE

FORT FRONTENAC  
KINGSTON, ONTARIO

April 7th, 1952

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Executive Assistant to the Director,  
Central Intelligence Agency,  
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

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Dear [redacted]:

As Air Vice Marshal Dunlap, Commandant of the National Defence College, is now in the United Kingdom on the annual course tour of Europe and the Middle East, I am replying on his behalf to your letter of March 31st.

I know that Air Vice Marshal Dunlap will be delighted to learn that General Smith finds it convenient to visit Kingston to speak to the College on June 23rd. I note that the General intends to fly to Kingston and I assume that it will be in a USAF aircraft. The airport at Kingston is quite suitable for a C47. As the field is without night landing aids, it is advisable to land here in daylight. We will, of course, schedule General Smith's talk for the time of day most satisfactory to him. To arrive in time for a lecture beginning at eleven a.m. would mean taking off from Washington airport about 0800 hours. It takes about twenty minutes to drive from the Kingston airport to the National Defence College.

It might be more convenient for General Smith if we were to schedule the lecture for the afternoon, at 1400 or 1430 hours. By leaving Washington at about 0900, he would arrive in Kingston in ample time for lunch at the College before the lecture. I know that Air Vice Marshal Dunlap will be very pleased if General Smith can stay here the night of the 23rd. However, should the General feel that he must return to Washington the same day, it would be possible to depart from Kingston airport in the late afternoon, arriving back in Washington in early evening.

Please be assured that we shall make any adjustment in our schedule that will help in any way. I shall get in touch with you again in May to confirm arrangements.

Yours sincerely,

*D.R. Sharpe*  
(D.R. Sharpe) Major  
Secretary  
National Defence College